## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 629 By Maddox

A RESOLUTION to commend Michael Brandon Baggett for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Michael Brandon Baggett is one such individual who has distinguished himself in his role as a legislative intern for Representative Mark Maddox; Michael's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators he assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, a student at the University of Tennessee at Martin, where he is highly regarded by his peers, Michael has achieved academic success while majoring in Political Science and minoring in English; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his academic pursuits, Michael Baggett has been an active participant in numerous extracurricular activities, including the University of Tennessee at Martin College Democrats, which he has ably served as Secretary, Parliamentarian, and President; the Student Government Association, which he has served as Attorney General; and *The Pacer*, the

student newspaper of the University of Tennessee at Martin, which he has served as a columnist; and

WHEREAS, appointed Vice President of Finance of the Tennessee Kappa Chapter of the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, Mr. Baggett also served as the Director of Night Security and as the Assistant Safety Officer at the University of Tennessee at Martin; and

WHEREAS, a seasoned political activist, Michael Baggett has worked with many election campaigns, including Al Gore's presidential campaign, Phil Bredesen's gubernatorial campaign, and Mark Maddox's state representative campaign; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize himself with the characteristics and complexity of Tennessee state government and to further his studies, Mr. Baggett brought his many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2003 session of the One Hundred Third General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2003 legislative session, Mr. Baggett has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, Michael Baggett has performed his many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend Michael Brandon Baggett for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Representative Mark Maddox and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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